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118TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H.R.

To direct the reinstatement of an individual involuntarily separated from an Armed Force solely on the basis of refusing to receive a vaccination against COVID-19.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Dunn of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

## A BILL

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  - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
  - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
  - 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
  - This Act may be cited as the "Troop Return of Over-
- 5 due Payment Act" or the "TROOP Act".

1	SEC. 2. REINSTATEMENT AND BACK PAY FOR AN INDI-
2	VIDUAL INVOLUNTARILY SEPARATED FROM
3	AN ARMED FORCE SOLELY ON THE BASIS OF
4	REFUSING TO RECEIVE A VACCINATION
5	AGAINST COVID-19.
6	(a) REINSTATEMENT.—At the request of a covered
7	individual, the Secretary concerned shall—
8	(1) reinstate the covered individual as a mem-
9	ber of the Armed Force concerned, in the same rank
0	and grade the covered individual held at the time of
1	separation from the Armed Force concerned; and
12	(2) include, in the computation of the retired or
13	retainer pay of such covered individual, the period
14	between the involuntary separation and the rein-
15	statement of the covered individual.
16	(b) BACK PAY.—A covered individual who was invol-
17	untarily discharged from an Armed Force and who makes
18	a request under subsection (a) shall be entitled to back
19	pay for the period between such separation and reinstate-
20	ment of the covered individual.
21	(c) Definitions.—In this section:
22	(1) The term "covered individual" means an in-
23	dividual who was involuntarily separated from an
24	Armed Force solely on the basis of the refusal of
25	such individual to receive a vaccination against
26	COVID-19

1	(2) The term "Secretary concerned" has the
2	meaning given such term in section 101 of title 10,
3	United States Code